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25X1 3. [ ] At the request of Mr. McCone, talked with Senator Russell indicating that in addition to the status report of yesterday we wanted the Senator to know that of course we would be happy to make Mr. Powers available as soon as possible. In addition, it was suggested that the Senator might wish to make a statement to this effect. The Senator stated he was not particularly interested in having Powers appear before the Committee on the assumption that he would be receiving full information. I said this, of course, was correct. Senator Russell went on to say that in view of the pressure and comments of others probably his making such a statement was a good idea and he would proceed with it.

25X1 4. [ ] I raised the same point with Bob Smart as I had with Senator Russell for Mr. Vinson to make a statement. Smart said he had discussed this with Mr. Vinson who was not at all anxious to have Powers before the Committee. In fact he preferred simply to receive the appropriate information. Further, there was not going to be any meeting of the House for the next few days in which the statement could appropriately be made since there was only going to be a short session. Smart said he was sure the Chairman would appreciate our viewpoint but he thought he could speak for the Chairman that Mr. Vinson would probably desire not to make any statement at this point.

25X1 5. [ ] While talking with Mr. Smart, we also firmed up the arrangements for the Director to appear before the CIA Subcommittee of House Armed Services at ten o'clock on 22 February 1962.

25X1 6. [ ] Advised by Alan Morrison, office of Air Force JAG that OSD had returned the proposed amendments to the Missing Persons Act (DOD 87-1113) under memorandum dated 8 February 1962 indicating that DOD agreed with Army-Navy comments relating to elimination of undeserving persons from receipt of benefits under the Missing Persons Act and requested review and return of the proposed amendments to DOD for submission to BOB on 16 February.

Mr. Morrison indicated that literal resolution as suggested by DOD was not readily possible due to the nature of the original comments by Army and Navy due to the fact that this question is otherwise covered in the basic legislation and in the covering speaker letter. It was indicated